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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the office action of September 29, 2004, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.